The nonprofit arts industry in Missouri creates 14,893 jobs and generates $1.1 billion in statewide economic impact. (1)

In FY2020, the Missouri Citizens for the Arts respectfully requests the following:

- Appropriation of 60%, or $21 million, of the non-resident professional Athlete & Entertainers’ income tax (A&E) to the Missouri Arts Council (0.08% of the total state budget).

- 10% distribution of the A&E income tax to each of the cultural partners.

- Funding of the Missouri Fine Arts and the Missouri Scholars Academy at $750,000.

- That the Missouri State Board of Education support comprehensive fine arts instruction.